TOTAL DEFENSE - A EUROPEAN MODEL TO STRIVE FOR

U.S IN DIRE NEED OF IMMEDIATE INTERNAL DEFENSE STRATEGY

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This document presents a detailed analysis and strategic recommendation for enhancing U.S. homeland defense in anticipation of a **complex, multi-phased jihadi terrorist attack** orchestrated by Al Qaeda and affiliated groups. The author emphasizes the urgency of the threat, expected within a 90-day window (November to February), and advocates for the adoption of a **"Total Defense"** model, a comprehensive civil-military integrated defense approach practiced in several European and Baltic nations, as the most effective response framework.

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Key Insights and Threat Assessment

● The impending **Al Qaeda-led coordinated attack** will target at least 15 U.S. cities simultaneously with teams of 5-10 terrorists. The initial assault is expected to mimic the 2008 Mumbai attacks, focusing on **soft targets** such as shopping malls, hospitals, schools, places of worship, concert halls, and government buildings.

● Attack methods will include:

○ Automatic weapons, grenades, IEDs, rocket-propelled grenades (RPGs)

○ Concealable suicide vests (likely peroxide-based and undetectable)

○ Vehicle-borne attacks (box trucks, vans for ramming pedestrians)

○ Impersonation of law enforcement, medical, or construction personnel to sow confusion

○ Secondary ambushes targeting first responders

    - Potential hijacking of commercial aircraft to cause mid-air and ground casualties.

● Terrorist training involved resident 2- 6 weeks **urban close-quarters battle (CQB)** at Tier-1 and Tier-2 indoor facilities, indicating highly prepared attackers.

● A select set of dozens, perhaps more of terrorists are trained in improvised explosives device (IED) construction.

● A select set of dozens of terrorists are trained in acquisition,construction, assembly, deployment of S-Vest.

● The threat extends beyond Al Qaeda to include **homegrown violent extremist groups (HVEs)** and foreign terrorist organizations (FTOs) such as Mexican cartels (now designated FTOs), ISIS, Hamas, Hezbollah, and various splinter factions.

● Still concern over **ongoing U.S. funding to Taliban and ISIS/AQC ($85 million weekly)**, suggesting the government's strategy is appeasement rather than direct confrontation, allowing enemy elements to strengthen within U.S. borders.

Total Defense Model: Core Concepts and Application

Total Defense is a holistic national security framework that integrates military, civil society, political, and economic efforts to protect territorial integrity and societal stability. It emphasizes:

● **Civil-Military Integration:** Coordination between military units (including specialized quick reaction forces), civilian defense organizations, law enforcement, and local government agencies.

● **Population Involvement:** Empowering civilians through training, preparedness, and voluntary organizations to serve as a "home guard" or resistance force.

● **International Cooperation:** Close collaboration with neighboring countries (Canada, Mexico) and allied nations to counter cross-border asymmetric threats.

● **Multi-Agency Intelligence Sharing:** Re-establishing and enhancing communication channels among U.S. agencies (CIA, DEA), foreign governments (e.g., Mexico), and law enforcement to improve situational awareness and rapid response.

● **Deterrence and Resistance:** Developing a robust defense/resistance capability to impose significant costs on any invading or occupying force, deterring aggression.

Several European and Baltic countries practice Total Defense, such as Austria, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Lithuania, Norway, and Indonesia, providing models for U.S. adaptation.

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Since I first became aware of the impending threat of an Al Qaeda masterminded plot, to launch a grand jihadi, complex, coordinated assault on US homeland soil, I've pondered the fact that this can't and won't be effectively stopped or thwarted. The operation is already in motion. Many had already come to that conclusion, such as Survival Dispatch News (SDN) and their panel of experts who I've listened to daily for months. Furthermore I was not privy to the whole plan or at least the desired outcome which is, after the first major main-event attack (consisting several targets/states), in the following days, weeks, months and perhaps years, there will be a subsequent volley of random continual sporadic attacks instilling a maximum level of fear and eminent peril among the U.S populace (something never felt), highly likely resulting in 'whole of society paralysis' directly impacting the economy.

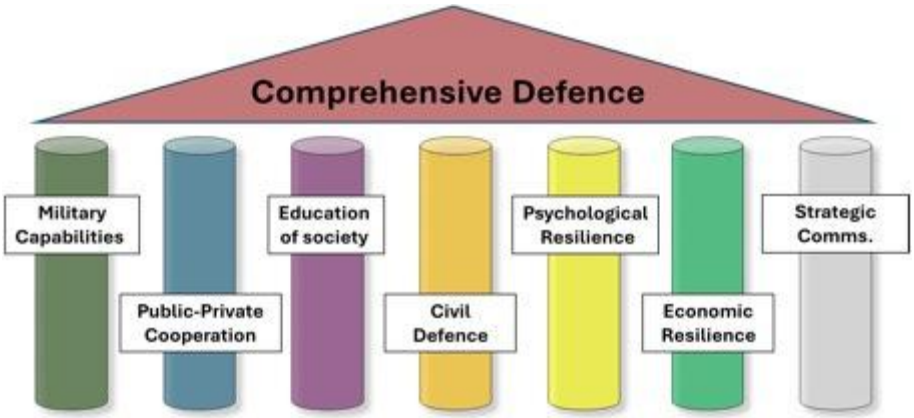
As the attack window has now narrowed down to approximately ninety-days (90 days) (Nov-Feb) timeframe, all of my continued training, experiences, current research, and studying (for a solution) have come to one conclusion. "Total Defense", a model followed by many European/Baltic countries, seems to be the only feasible approach to an integrated homeland defense plan. A few of these countries are: Austria, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Indonesia, Lithuania, Norway. Several have published their unclassified plans via the web, not exactly the best OPSEC practice, but necessary to reach the whole populace.

We can't simply rely on the US federal government or even our local government (s) to protect all of us citizens or our families. We must be proactive in our approach to combat this ever present threat we all collectively face one way or another.

Taking from a section of Doctrine, “the Resistance Operating Concept” by Otto Fialla, I believe the “Total Defense” model is the best course of action for the United States Civilian Homeland Defense model. That coupled with sections taken from the U.S Army Counterinsurgency Manual and building off the Civil-Military Operations handbook. For this paper, I also draw from the Foreign Internal Defense & Security Forces Assistance (SFA) model used by U.S Forces on foreign governments. FID is a U.S. DOD term, doctrinally defined as, “the participation by civilian and military agencies of a government in any of the action programs taken by another government or other designated organization, to free and protect its society from subversion, lawlessness, insurgency, terrorism, and other threats to their security.

”SFA, FA activities aim to help partner nations (PNs) develop capabilities to defend against both internal and trans-regional threats and enhance interoperability with U.S. forces. However new policy must be made because current DOD policy mandates that SFA activities involve Foreign Security Forces (FSF)., For our purposes we’d (civilian/defense/resistance) be assisting the U.S federal government against foreign insurgents, FTO enemy combatants, clandestine agents, facilitators and homegrown violent extremist (HVE) forces like Anarchist, ANTIFA, BLM, CodePink, Trantifa; Anti-Racist Action (ARA) Network**;** ArmedQueers; JohnBrown-G.C, SRA, Arm Your Friends, Huey P. Newton Gun Club & Redneck Revolt, Communist (CPUSA, DSA ,RevCom) Marxist-(BLM, PSL) (SJP, JV4P), Islamist (CAIR, MSA, MPAC, MAS, PYM, PYL, PFLP, SunriseMovement), Mexican FTOs-Sinaloa (CDS), CNJG,Venezuelan-De Soles, Al Qaeda (AQC, AQAP, AQIM,AQE,AQL), ISIS/IL/KP, Hamas, Hezbollah, Al Shabab and conglomerate Army of Islam.

There will likely also be splinter factions of aforementioned groups in addition to local territorial community based street gangs all requiring attention. Some of these groups’ intent is US government overthrow, mayhem, anarchy, destruction, others like insurgents want church explosions, ambushed cops, active attack shooters, terrorized school-houses, destroyed hospitals to prevent trauma-care, house to house slaughters, mass casualties and suicide bombings at crowded events. The desired means is to bring bloodshed and warlike scenery to our lands, to the place we live, work and where our children learn and play, so that we may learn a lesson, by paying in civilian blood for our decades of US foreign intervention.



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Total Defense plays a crucial role in shaping a comprehensive National Defense Strategy. Its primary objective is to galvanize all necessary resources and support to safeguard the nation and its territorial integrity from armed threats. This approach emphasizes collaboration with other nations, whether on domestic soil or in international contexts, to enhance and uphold security, freedom, and autonomy.

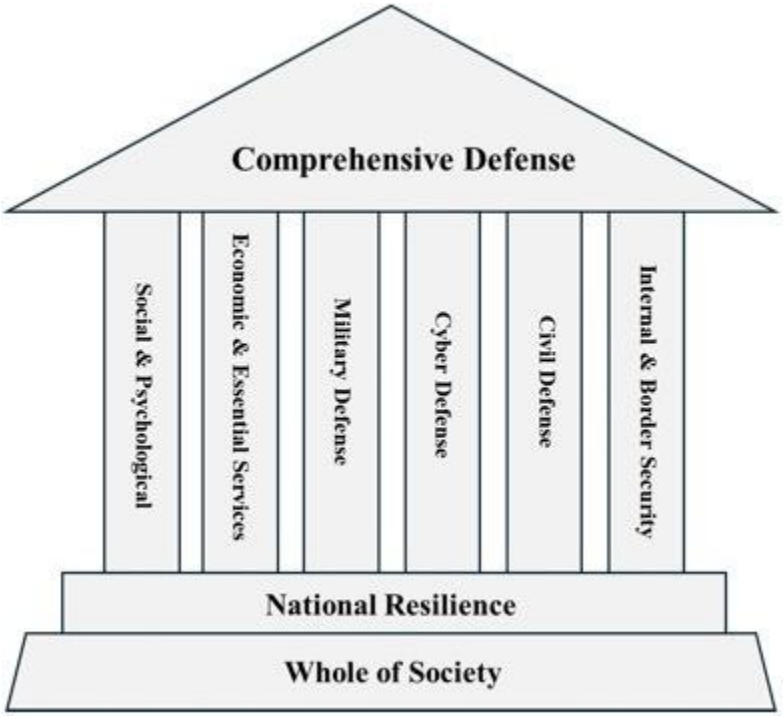
By prioritizing this cooperative framework, Total Defense aims to create an environment that allows for optimal military maneuverability and informed political decision-making, thereby ensuring that the nation is well-prepared to respond to any potential aggression internally or externally. Cohesion with our neighbors like Canada and Mexico are paramount since many of the asymmetric threats we face emanate from or use these nation states as launching points, homebase etc. Effective international law enforcement and intelligence capabilities can't be overlooked since Mexican Cartels are now deemed foreign terrorist organizations (FTO's) an upgrade in state department designations from the former TCO or DTO, they pose imminent threat to the U.S. Aside from thousands of US troops on the SouthWest border we also have at least one (1) Special Forces Operational Detachment Alpha (SFOD-A) within Mexico assigned to advise/assist Mexican Marines by providing training, target package building and acquisition and disruption of operations conducted by Mexican FTO's.

Moreover, Total Defense necessitates the establishment of a robust and unwavering defense/resistance capability that can be mobilized against any adversary occupying national territory. This capability must be sufficiently formidable to convey to potential aggressors that any attempt to invade or attack will incur significant costs, both in terms of resources and human lives.

The effectiveness of this defense/resistance hinges on the nation's ability to maintain a state of readiness, ensuring that its forces are not only prepared to engage but also capable of sustaining prolonged efforts against an occupying force. It's my understanding that the Trump administration through the Secretary of War (Pete Hegseth) and Army (Dan Driscoll) have developed specialized quick reaction force (QRF) National Guard Units ready to be regionally deployed within each state in the event it's required. However, I feel this is insufficient for the

coordinated and complex attack events expected within 90 days of this report. (Sarah Adams-**Askari-Media Group**/Khalid Muhhamad-**Command Eleven**, LTG Michael T. Flynn-**Americas Future**)

We must establish this capability in each state of the union. These units should coordinate with civilian homeland defense groups, or Mutual Aid Groups (MAGS), CERT Teams or even Sheriffs' posse, to adequately affect by bolstering the security posture of any given area of a community's operations.



In addition to domestic preparedness, the Total Defense strategy must be complemented by a suite of diplomatic, political, and economic initiatives undertaken by the state and its international allies. These measures, which can be executed bilaterally or multilaterally, are essential for deterring potential aggressors. Such deterrence strategies may include formal agreements among allied nations to coordinate responses against any acts of aggression, thereby reinforcing a collective security framework. Recently the State Department has opened communication channels back up and resumed sharing intelligence resources between the Central Intelligence Agency and Drug Enforcement Agency and Mexican government. These lines of communication are essential to successful operations. Communication was terminated a few years back at the direction of former Mexican President AMLO.

By integrating these diverse elements, Total Defense seeks to create a comprehensive and resilient posture that effectively protects national interests and promotes stability in the face of external threats. Within this model we have seen DJT conducting high level meetings with Syrian leader Al Julani who no doubt is still not only an operative, but a commander for Al Qaeda.

He (Al Julani) recently came to a high-level delegation meeting at the NY United Nations building several weeks back. Additionally, he recently attended another solo meeting at the Whitehouse (10/11/25). Unbelievably, we are still funding the Taliban regime and by proxy ISIS and AQC to the tune of Eighty-Five Million Dollars cash per week ($ 85m) leading me to believe the U.S government still plans to simply appease the threat, while they (Islamic Army/AQ/ISIS) continue to purposely and strategically maneuver into attack positions favorable to the enemy that's already within our borders, in significant numbers (1500-7k jihadis).

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The attack plot includes coordinated strikes on at least 15 US cities simolteneusly using trained jihadi terrorists, in teams of 5-7 or 8-10 man teams; Initial attack will be a Mumbai, India attack style event. Conducting attacks on soft targets like shopping malls, concert halls,large/popular hotels, civic centers, hospitals, churches, elementary schools, high schools, universities, synagogues etc. They'll be using fully automatic weapons, grenades, IED's,rocket proppeled grenades (RPG's) concealable suicide vest (S-Vest) (undetectable) likely peroxide based, and large vehicles (boxtruck/van/truck) for ramming pedestrians in high-foot traffic or crowded zones. They plan to impersonate Law Enforcement Officers or Security Officers or Construction workers (CalTrans) or Medical (paramedics) personnel and uniforms in an effort to cause more confusion and create an easier environment to target and kill civilians at will. Expect secondary ambush style attacks on responding LE and all first responders (Medical/Fire). Initial attack may include plot to high-jack multiple commercial aircraft, causing mass casualties mid-air and subsequent casualties below from falling aircraft debris. Suggest LE pre-staging outside attack locations (incident perimeter), Leaving room for explosives IED stand-off distance from "on scene" and prior to insertion of specialized SWAT. Beware of Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices (VBIEDs) upon initial approach. Beware of high-ground vantage points and elevated structures in urban environments and check for hidden/recessed snipers layer(s). All units should have at least one (1) AR-15 weapons system in their patrol vehicle, with ample ammunition to withstand and dominate a sustained firefight. Level-4 hard plate body armor should be donned prior to any lethal engagements. Terrorists have been scenario based trained in urban close quarters battle (CQB) at Tier-1,2 indoor training facilities. Tertiary attacks will likely include house to house home-invasion style slaughters, resembling October 7th style attacks, if given the opportunity. (J.Robert; Askari Media)

Civil defense serves several critical objectives aimed at safeguarding the civilian population during times of conflict. Its primary goals include ensuring the uninterrupted operation of essential public services, mitigating the adverse effects of warfare, and enhancing the operational effectiveness of armed forces.

“The establishment of municipal or regional reinforcement pools for rescue services, medical services (e.g., the designation of a hospital in a designated civil defense region as a war hospital), and home protection organizations.” (Fialla)

By fostering a culture of personal preparedness among our citizens such as encouraging the stockpiling of weapons, ammunition, less-lethal, non-lethal instruments, non-perishable food, bottled water, medical supplies, and batteries or other fuel/energy sources, civil defense initiatives not only alleviate the strain on national defense resources but also empower individuals to take an active role in protecting/defending their own country and personal-private domain/interest. This proactive approach cultivates a higher sense of responsibility and increased readiness among the populace, which is vital in times of crisis, which we are bound to face in the near future.

In addition to individual preparedness, civil defense encompasses the mobilization of both governmental and non-governmental organizations to support wartime efforts. This may include the formation of municipal or regional support networks for emergency services, such as designating specific hospitals as war facilities within civil defense zones. Likewise since hospitals are on the adversarial targeting list, common sense says they should be afforded proper Anti-terrorism measures and security protection teams. More of the same for churches, synagogues, temples, and mosques, shopping centers, malls, government buildings and more.

Furthermore, the establishment of home protection organizations (veterans, neighborhood watch, citizen patrols, CERT Teams ,Local Ametour-Radio Clubs, (ARRL,CLEMARS, MARS) Civil Air Patrol, ROTC units, reserve police, auxiliary police, police cadets, sheriffs posse, Team Rubicon, Red Cross, NGO’s) and the development of shelters and evacuation plans are essential components of a comprehensive civil defense strategy.

To ensure that the individual citizenry are equipped to fulfill their designated roles during emergencies, basic training and educational programs are absolutely necessary, thereby enhancing the overall resilience of the community. Fitness should be key. Medical training is an imperative. Beginning with a simple “Stop The Bleed” course of instruction all the way to advanced “Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC), newer TECC, EMT 1-3, or even Paramedic. Another imperative would be Basic Firearms Safety or Weapons Handling course all the way to Advanced Pistol, Basic Carbine, Designated Marksman, Tactical Carbine II, or Close Quarters Battle (CQB). Other courses like basic Fieldcraft, Individual Movement Techniques, Small-Medium Game Hunting, Fishing/Trapping (all source), Wilderness Survival Training, Urban Tactics, Map/GPS Reading, Combatives training, i.e Jiu Jitsu/Krav Maga/Boxing), Drone Operations, HAZMAT, CWMD, CBRNE, Escape Evasion (EE), Counter-Custody, Lock-picking, Basic Surveillance Ops, Urban Reconnaissance, Canning/Jarring, Surveillance Detection.

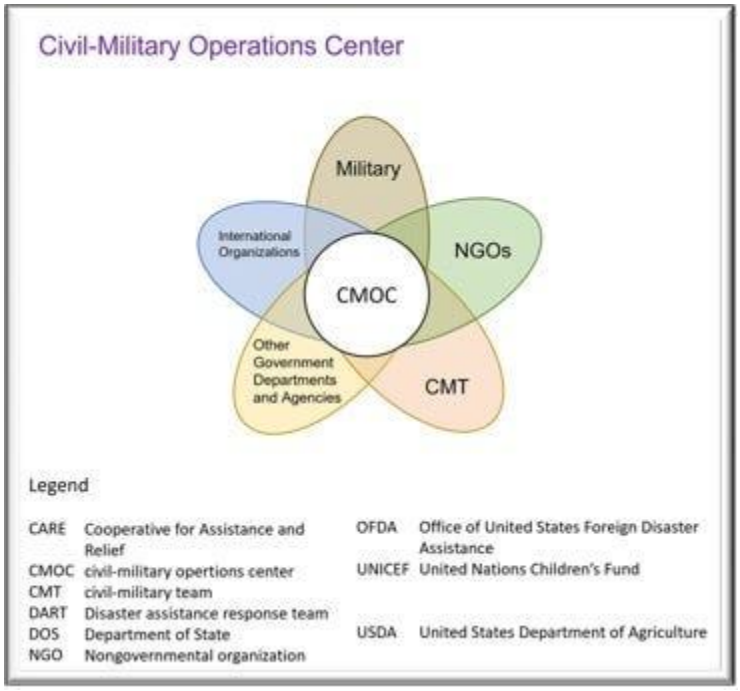
Voluntary organizations, such as home guards and defense leagues, play a significant role in the broader framework of civil defense, particularly within the Total Defense concept. These groups often consist of large numbers of dedicated individuals who are motivated to strengthen their collective resolve to defend their nation as a whole, but more important to them, focusing on their home community.

By engaging citizens in civil defense activities to be pro-active defenders, these voluntary organizations not only contribute to the preparedness of the community but also foster a spirit of unity and cooperation or “Esprite de Corps” and an overall sense of purpose. The involvement of such organizations is crucial in building a robust civil defense infrastructure that can effectively respond to the many challenges posed by conflict, ultimately this will ensure the safety and security of our respective civilian populations.

Military defense plays a crucial role in safeguarding a nation’s security through collaboration with both internal civil partners (interagency like) and external allied nations. The primary aim is to maintain a highly responsive military force capable of deterring potential aggressors and defending the nation against any form of attack.

Civil-military operations (CMO) are traditionally conducted outside the United States with a Host Nations (HN) government, for our purposes CMO are activities where military forces interact with the US civilian population and organizations to minimize interference with internal U.S civil-military operations and maximize civil support for them.

These operations are conducted during various situations, such as combat against foreign insurgents/operatives, counter-insurgency, and humanitarian assistance, and involve activities like establishing relations, providing aid during natural disasters, and managing governance until civilian authorities can resume full control. (DSCA) CMOs use specialized military units (like civil affairs forces ‘CA’, Special Forces ‘SF’, psychological operations ‘PO’) and coordinate with civilian agencies, NGOs, and local governments to achieve objectives.



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Civil-Military Operations (CMO) play a pivotal role in both conventional warfare and irregular warfare (IW) scenarios. In the context of IW, CMO are essential for establishing and nurturing relationships with local populations and institutions. This engagement is crucial for gathering intelligence, enhancing local capabilities, and bolstering the legitimacy of governance in partner nations. By focusing on the underlying factors that contribute to instability—such as economic challenges, governance issues, and social discontent CMO works to undermine the influence of irregular adversaries, thereby creating a more favorable environment for stability and peace.

In addition to their primary functions, CMO supports a variety of other IW initiatives. For instance, they facilitate stabilization efforts, assist in security sector reform, and provide vital

services within Foreign Internal Defense (FID) operations. These activities are designed to improve the living conditions of the civilian population, which in turn fosters a sense of security and stability. By addressing immediate needs and enhancing the quality of life, CMO contributes to a broader strategy that aims to reduce the appeal of extremist groups and other adversarial elements that thrive in unstable environments.

The integrated approach of CMO is crucial for achieving sustainable success in IW operations. By aligning military objectives with overarching political, economic, and social goals, CMO helps to create a comprehensive framework for peace and stability. This synergy not only enhances the effectiveness of military efforts but also ensures that the initiatives undertaken are relevant and beneficial to the local populace. Ultimately, the success of IW strategies hinges on the ability of CMO to foster trust, build resilience, and promote governance that is responsive to the

needs of the community, thereby laying the groundwork for enduring peace. CMO capabilities should be implemented prior to conflicts.

This involves not only achieving military victories to uphold national sovereignty and territorial integrity against insurgents but also preparing for various scenarios, including the establishment of stay-behind forces and a national (COIN) (FID style) defense/resistance capability in the event of partial/full enemy occupation. The military's readiness extends beyond combat; it encompasses the protection of national sovereignty, the prevention and resolution of conflicts, and the support of civil authorities during times of crisis or warfare.

The effectiveness of the Total Defense concept hinges on the active participation of the population, which must be willing to embrace their individual and collective defensive responsibilities during both peacetime and national emergencies. This commitment is essential for fostering a culture of resistance against potential aggressors. Comprehensive training and educational initiatives can equip individuals and communities with the necessary skills for resistance activities, thereby reinforcing their resolve to defend the nation. (ROC)

A robust civil defense framework is built on social cohesion, the preservation of shared cultural values, and equal access to state services, which collectively enhance the population's ability to withstand external threats. This social defense is vital for ensuring that all citizens feel included and empowered in the face of adversity. (Fialla)

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Furthermore, according to the ROC cultivating a strong sense of national pride and mutual respect is integral to developing the will and determination needed to navigate crises effectively. This psychological defense contributes significantly to the collective strength and commitment of the populace, instilling faith in their ability to overcome challenges. Proactive planning and preparation during peacetime, such as the strategic storage of essential resources like food and fuel, are critical components of national resilience. These measures not only bolster the society's capacity to endure crises or warfare but also serve as a deterrent against potential aggressors, reinforcing the notion that a prepared and united populace is a formidable barrier to conflict.

'Understanding, Defining, and Differentiating Resilience and Resistance.'

"Resilience encompasses a society's capacity to endure and adapt in the face of challenges, playing a crucial role in national defense strategies. It not only aids in deterrence but also facilitates the restoration of national sovereignty following periods of conflict or occupation. This concept can be understood as the collective strength and determination of a populace to preserve their way of life, demonstrating both the will and capability to resist external pressures. Resilience reflects a society's ability to recover from adversities, ensuring that its core values and structures remain intact despite facing significant threats."(Fialla)

“In contrast, resistance emerges as a direct response from a sovereign state and its citizens when confronted with threats to their autonomy and independence. Effective resistance requires proactive measures and comprehensive planning across governmental and societal levels to establish organized efforts against an occupying force. The dynamics of resistance are influenced by various factors, including the geographical context and the historical relationship between the oppressor and the population. This interplay shapes the strategies employed by those resisting, highlighting the importance of understanding local conditions and sentiments in formulating effective responses.”

“It is essential to differentiate resistance from other forms of conflict, such as terrorism, insurgency, or revolution. While resistance aims to restore the status quo that existed prior to conflict, it can manifest in various forms, including both armed and unarmed actions, as well as nonviolent and violent methods. The primary objective remains the reclamation of sovereignty and independence, distinguishing it from other movements that may seek broader systemic change. By recognizing these distinctions, policymakers and scholars can better appreciate the complexities of societal responses to threats and the multifaceted nature of resilience and resistance in the context of national security.“ (Fialla)

An American Exceptionalist type “national identity” supported by a quasi-faith inspired, American Principled, (with unity in mind), backed by America’s guiding core values. This is commonly known as “national cohesiveness”, which are known and time-tested requirements for a robust national defense as they maintain/strengthen the population’s resilience and overall motivation to resist both physical aggression via insurgency and also ideological Marxist/Islamist subversion, sedition, and propaganda. The majority of the U.S citizenry espouses a Christian ‘based’ religious ideology, albeit there are many like, Assemblies of God; Churches of Christ;African Methodist Episcopal Church;Adventism, Anabaptism; Nondenominational Christianity; Catholicism; Orthodoxy; Protestantism, Anglican/Episcopal;

Lutheran;Methodist; Baptist; Reformed/Calvinist: Includes Presbyterian, Pentecostal; Non-trinitarian Restorationism; Church of the East, therefore it makes best sense to re-enforce, support and champion the premise of these ideals from which the country was founded. For the purposes of response teams and faith, “So long as there’s an understanding, there’s something much bigger than us or perhaps, you’ve chosen the wrong team.”

It is vital for nurturing a spirit of resilience among the citizenry. This identity can be developed through a range of initiatives, such as educational programs focused on factual history and traditional U.S patriotism that resonate with the cultural values of the nation. Furthermore, it is imperative to engage transparently with the American minority communities (Naturalized/legal/In process) to ensure their meaningful and continued future involvement in civic and governmental processes.

Moreover, it is essential to separate political agendas from national defense policies, thereby fostering a more cohesive message that promotes civic involvement through local organizations, including youth scouting, sports leagues,combat sports,teenCERT, CAP, SeaCadets, Jr.LifeGuards, Church YouthGroups, KoC Forestry Service programs and other

community-oriented associations. These initiatives can effectively cultivate a sense of patriotism that transcends political divides, inspiring citizens to actively support national resistance efforts. Free and fair elections are an imperative, with valid voter identification (ROC)

The psychological preparation of the population is a very serious and critical component that should commence well before any conflict arises. This preparation should involve instilling a sense of patriotism and good citizenship within the educational framework, particularly at the primary and secondary school levels, to equip children with the resilience needed to counter adversarial US state sanctioned (Smith-Mundt) and foreign propaganda (CCP-MSS/SVR/IRGC/MOIS) in addition to information warfare narrative campaigns that flow to the US daily via satellite, print, digital, social media, podcast, Fm/Am radio, and TV broadcast mediums. Each household should have 1-2 people fully trained on Psychological First Aid or Disaster Management or Crisis Management, training on “Use of the Incident Command System” utilized world-wide. FEMA has many free online legacy courses on these topics. Radio Communications is another topic of training as is Hazard Mitigation. There are several sources for Psychological First Aid (PFA) training. If unable to take it In-Person from a local community medical training provider there are at least two versions online available free including at least 2 mobile apps.

Perhaps mandatory participation and re-institution of the U.S ‘Pledge of Allegiance should be enacted to restore acceptable levels of patriotism in grades (K-12) after of course closing down the Department of Education, totally purging teachers UNIONS (AFT, NEA, ASCD, NBPTS,CECS**,** local school boards of Marxist indoctrinators. Have JROTC students provide back-up support roles to high school campus security or School Resource Officer (s) during incidents training regularly. Re-establish Army and Air-Force, Navy and Coast Guard JROTC programs in ALL high schools nation-wide, if feeling lucky or if, there’s any measure of success in high schools (past shows there is), expand to junior high schools ASAP; Expand existing youth/adult programs like U.S Air Force Auxiliary (CAP) & Coast Guard Auxiliary with a clear pathway to U.S military enlistment/commissioning for Cadets and an EXIT pathway for Active Duty service personnel leaving military service (out-processing).

Have new veterans fresh from service perform mandatory mentorship for Cadets (13-21 yrs) within the whole Cadet Corps (JROTC, Citadel, West Post etc) this would be dual use as the veteran (s) mentoring youth will also help the vet feel valued with a sense of purpose, long after military service leading to better psychological health. Provide additional plans to pay vets to mentor youth. Make it mandatory for University’s to host ROTC programs on campus in exchange for federal funding (foreign students prohibited from training). Each campus unit can be charged with safety/security for their campus or at minimum provide auxiliary/reserve support role functions when required to campus Police Departments.

However, the process of psychological preparation does not cease with the outbreak of hostilities; it is vital for “the ‘resistance/defenders” to sustain popular support throughout the duration of conflict. Therefore, ongoing initiatives that reinforce national identity and civic responsibility will be essential in maintaining morale and unity among the populace, ensuring that citizens remain committed to the cause of resistance/defense even in challenging times.

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT program) is an excellent way to get several groups made up of community members trained on Medical/Casualty Triage, First AId, Light Search & Rescue, Perimeter Security, Damage Assessment and more. Other training like Texas A& M “Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events” (CRASE) or Fire As A Weapon, “Active Attack for Communications” They have civilian and LE versions and host courses in person and remote. They also have a Train-the-Trainer certification so that you may host your own course. Members of the tactical training community should create a standardized training protocol for training and personnel vetting. Those same tactical trainers should be contracted with through the defense department (DoD) to employ services in each state etc.

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Official and public encouragement of young people to participate in activities like scouts or a national defense (TeenCERT) or civic support league can reinforce patriotic sentiment. Even youth sports leagues like baseball, basketball, football, wrestling are perfect physical activities to teach and demonstrate team-building, unity of effort, esprit de corps, excellence, team pride.

Emphasizing a ‘national identity’ like America the Beautiful instead of support for a specific government in power will certainly help overcome some citizens’ reluctance to support a defense/resistance because of dislike for the current government, hence drawing both political parties together.

I should add that The American Civil Defense Association (TACDA) is an excellent resource for National Defense Preparedness offering years of journals, knowledge, available online, live webinars for training etc. Additionally, Survival Dispatch News (SDN) produces many digital print

And high quality video training on survival topics as well as product reviews and testing, scenario testing, Red-Teaming, TTPs, Best practices, threat warning, intelligence.

Finally, the government should communicate the existence of potential external threats to its own population, along with its plans for the population and military to counter or mitigate those threats through preparedness, training, and the necessary institutional and legal structures and policies to develop, establish, and conduct resistance if and when necessary. Clearly this has not occurred on any significant level.

Yes, we have private civilian organizations such as Survival Dispatch News that have covered the upcoming attack extensively and from many perspectives desperately warning the public along with many other individuals with far less reach and we had the National Counterterrorism Center issue one (1) single memo of warning, but this threat data is not being parroted by the many state level Fusion centers; which should flow down data to our average law enforcement patrol units, counterterror units, detectives bureaus, SWAT and other unique units that are either first responders or field intelligence collectors. Information and intelligence dissemination is critical to successfully tackling this grave challenge we face. Preparedness hinges on

intelligence flow which is non-existent due to the level of fear and public opinion it may create should the government decide to warn. Leveraging government and private stakeholders is key to effective mass communications.

Godspeed,
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